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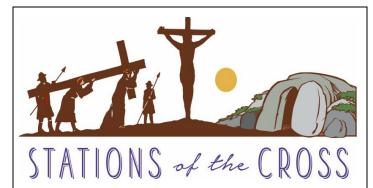
The Second Sunday in Lent





The season of Lent is a perfect time to take on the discipline of Scripture reading. With that in mind, check out these book by book summaries of the Bible written by Fr. David. There are black file boxes in each worship area with files of each book. Each Sundy a new summery will be added. Today the book summery of Ezekiel is ready for you to add to your folder. If you have any questions, please see Priscilla or call the office at 646-6115.





Stations of the Cross (or Way of the Cross) refers to the depiction of the final hours of Jesus, and the devotion commemorating the Passion. The tradition as chapel devotion began with St. Francis of Assisi. Stations may be done at any time, but is most commonly done during the Season of Lent. Starting on Wednesday, February 28th and for the next four Wednesdays Fr. David will lead Stations of the Cross in the Sanctuary at 6:45pm. Please consider adding this to your Lenten discipline. This quiet service is a powerful experience and a way to slow down and focus on the upcoming events of Holy Week.





The St. Stephen's Colorist group will meet this Tuesday at 2:00pm in the office. This meeting is open to all interested people.

St. Stephen's ... To Love and Serve **God and Neighbor**



Our **VESTRY**

2018 - Karen Spiller, Walter Thomas, Buster Brown 2019- Richard Eijo, Karen Beasley, Marcia Heath 2020- Mike Whitt, Bill Baggett, Ben Cochran **Treasurer: Bruce Goers Book keeper: Cathy Zielinski**



Where are the large pots?

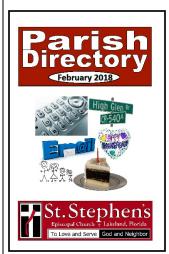
Where are the chaffing dishes?

Where are the turkey roasters?

These and similar questions echo through the kitchen any time we have a hospitality food event. We do not want to resort to locking our kitchen items up so we are asking ... IF YOU BORROW ANYTHING FROM THE KITCHEN, PLEASE RETURN IT PROMPLY.



Support our Scout Troops by buying
Mulch. This mulch sale is their big Spring
fund raiser. The cost is \$4.00 per bag.
Types of mulch are; Red Cypress, Natural
Cypress and Pine Bark. One bag will
cover 8 square feet. The mulch will be
delivered to you and for \$1.00 more per
bag, the Scouts will spread it. The
delivery date is March 10. Please call, or
stop by the office to place your order.
More details can be found by emailing
troop106fundraising@gmail.com



An updated parish phone directory will be published next week and a copy will be put in everyone's box. If you have any changes in your information, please let the office know by email, ststoffice@gmail.com or by phone, 646-6115 ASAP.

Thanks



All tax statements have been prepared and are in your box. If you don't receive one, or you feel there is an error of any sort, please let the office know.

+++Verse of the Week, Romans 8:38-39+++

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

February 14 & 18, 2018 Attendance: 80 & 48 Income: \$307.00 & \$782.00 Bucks for our Buildings: \$55.00

Alleluia is appropriately bid farewell on the Sunday preceding Ash Wednesday (the Transfiguration of Our Lord, also called the last Sunday after the Epiphany). This is the last Sunday when alleluia will be used until the Vigil of Easter, or Easter Sunday



In the western church the omission of alleluia during Lent goes back at least to the fifth century. The association of alleluia with Easter led to the custom of intentionally omitting it from the liturgy during the season of Lent, a kind of verbal fast which has the effect of creating a sense of anticipation and even greater joy when the familiar word of praise returns. We do not use it at church. We let it rest, as it were, during Lent, so that when it reappears on Easter, we may hear it anew. In fact, once it returns on Easter, we give it no rest at all, repeating it again and again, in celebration of the Resurrection of



February 26th: Staff Meeting@10:30am

February 27th: Colorists @1:00pm

February 28th: Noon Service and Book Studies

Stations of the Cross @6:45pm

March 5th: Staff Meeting@10:30am

March 6th: Spaghetti Dinner
March 11: Daylight Savings Time

March 13: Talbot House March 17: Church Workday



The greenery on the Altar has been given in Loving Memory of Dick Wenham and Robert Bartz by Nancy Wenham



February Birthdays

- 4 Elissia Eijo
- **5** Rachel Workman
- 7 Morgan Goers Virginia Marcinek
- 8 Brouck Boyd
- 15 DeAnn Brown
- 16 Carrie McNeill Dianne Knox Lenny Paradise
- **18 Carmen Kight**
- 22 Victoria Paradise
- 25 Bob Martin
- 26 Glen Zielinski Lula Peoples
- 28 Bob Stockwell



February Anniversaries

- 11 Dale & Amy Ling
- 14 Tim & Ellen Irwin
- 27 Bill & Marcia Heath
- 28 Bruce & Morgan Goers

St. Stephen's Prayer List

(Parish Members are in Bold)

Prayer Needs: Sally Templeton, (heart), Rick Rahn (prostate cancer)Liz Barham, Major surgery Janell Repsher, lung problems, **Scott Barham** Heart Surgery Recovery, Kathleen and Jimmy Turner (Janet Casini's brother and sister in-law), Loriane Turner (knee injury) Jaime Morris (Robi Leibecki's daughter) Robi Leibecki, Lars & Jade Andersson (Brigitte Garcia's niece and nephew), John Fitzgerald (Sue Deman's dad), Bill Warneke eyes, Tony Barfield cancer, **Trudi Lithgow** back problem, Roy Reynolds heart problems (Carol Reynolds husband), Pat Dupont back problems, Ken Horne ,Michele Giberson Autoimmune disorder, Bethany and Stetson Glass, prayers for successful adoption (Bob and Marge Stockwell's grand daughter) Carol Kahlenberg mental illness (Evie McCormick's friend), Susan Cardman MS, Sandy Gibson, Salena and her family (Janet Casini's family) Kevin Jackimowicz back and hip (Kim's husband). Isabel Clayton RA (Evie McCormick's friend), Gene Dumaresq bladder cancer, daughter-in-Yvonne Kimble, breast cancer (Betty Pratt's Niece), Mary K breast cancer, Lindsay Zielinski autoimmune disorder, Bob Stockwell Esophageal cancer, JC and Heather Presley, multiple health issues,1st Lt Tyler Owens (a Platoon Leader deployed to Syria) and his Platoon, Kelly Burk, recovery from auto accident, Mavis Walker, multiple health issues, Dailia Walker, multiple health issues, Humphrey Walker, Stroke, Melissa Conti, Eye ,Ron Cain, Sea Scout, cancer

<u>Pregnant</u>: Savannah and Robert, Kevin and Matilda, John and Tiffany, Kyle and Rachel Blackwell

<u>Homebound or Skilled Nursing Facility</u>: Dawn Flynn , Tom Haney, Grace Ledwith, Nancy Bailey, Jim & Jo Willey, Carmen Kight, Susan Cardman

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:00am Holy Eucharist 10:15am Sunday School 11:00am Children's Church 11:00am Holy Eucharist	Staff Meeting 10:30	Colorist Group 1:00pm	28 Noon Service Book Study 6:45pm Stations 7:00pm Book Study	7:00pm Choir Practice	Office Closed	3
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